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ILLEGAL MIGRANTS ABROAD
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Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) the number of illegal Indian labourers migrants abroad at present;

(b) whether there is no law to check this illegal migration;

(c) if so, the details of the existing laws; and

(d) the number of persons who have been brought to book under this law?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MUNI LALL)

(a): As per the latest information available with the Government, there are about 4765 illegal migrants abroad.

(b), (c) & (d): The Emigration Act, 1983, regulates the migration of Indian workers abroad. Section 24 and 25 of the Act provide for imposition of penalties for violation of the provisions of the Act. During the year 2000, the Central Government have issued sanction for prosecution in respect of 10 (ten) persons under the Emigration Act, 1983.